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Phasing Out of Old Fighter Aircraft
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to phase out old fighter aircraft including MIG-21 aircraft to avert accidents and loss of lives of pilots; and

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the strategy / plan adopted for this purpose?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI MANOHAR PARRIKAR)

(a) & (b): Phasing out of aircraft including MiG-21 aircraft and their replacement with new generation aircraft depends upon national security considerations, strategic objectives and operational requirements of the defence forces and is reviewed by the Government from time to time. This is a continuous process.

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